

device means after the passage of a predetermined amount of time during which the message has not been opened.

Ay Sub Bl 19. (Amended) The integrated messaging system of claim 15 wherein the scripting agent means transmits the electronic message to the wireless terminal device means upon a determination of substantially no user activity at the first terminal device.

20. The integrated messaging system of claim 15 wherein the scripting agent means transmits a summary of the electronic message to the wireless terminal device means in accordance with a user profile.

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated October 16, 2002. Claims 1-20 are currently pending. Claims 1, 8, 14 and 15 are independent. Claims 1-5, 8-10, 12, 14-17 and 19 have been amended. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the remarks set out below.

Rejection of the Claims Under §102

Claims 1-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as reciting subject matter that is anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,216,165 (Woltz). For the following reasons, Applicant submits that the claimed invention is patentable over the prior art.

The Invention

Amended independent claim 1 is directed to an integrated messaging system including at least two terminal devices associated with a common user which include a first terminal device and a second terminal device. At least the second terminal device is a wireless terminal device. The messaging system also includes at least one scripting agent which causes an electronic message that is addressed to the first terminal device to be transmitted to the wireless terminal device upon a determination of a status of the common user at the first terminal device.

The present invention addresses the need for email messages for a particular user which are usually received at one terminal of the user, to be automatically forwarded to a wireless device carried by the user. It is a feature of the present invention that such forwarding is carried out, for example, upon an indication of the status of the user at the first terminal.

The Prior Art

As understood by Applicant, Woltz et al. is directed to an e-mail paging system and method, which is implemented using a host computer. The method allows an e-mail recipient to be notified via a pager of the receipt of any mail messages. Depending upon the type of pager an e-mail recipient has, the recipient may receive a copy of the email message. Messages forwarded to the pager may be delayed for a holding period specified by the recipient.

Analysis

“A claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference.” M.P.E.P. 2131, quoting, *Verdegaal Bros. v. Union Oil Co. of California*, 814 F.2d 628, 631, 2 U.S.P.Q.2d 1051, 1053 (Fed. Cir. 1987).

After a thorough review of the Woltz et al. reference, Applicant could find nothing therein that discloses at least two terminal devices associated with a common user which include a first terminal device and a second wireless terminal device where a scripting agent causes an electronic message addressed to a first terminal device to be transmitted to a wireless terminal device upon a determination of a status of the common user at the first terminal device. For at least that reason, independent claims 1, 8, 14 and 15 are patentable over the prior art.

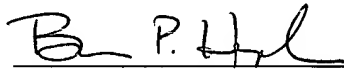
Since the remaining claims are dependent upon one or another of the independent claims, they are believed patentable for the same reasons. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the § 102 rejection be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that the issues raised in the outstanding Office Action have all been addressed. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application.

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